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August 31st, 1920

National Committee on Awards  
American Red Cross  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sirs:

The Museum of the American Numismatic Society has been making a special effort to add to its already large Collection of American and foreign war medals, all those new medals issued for various services in the recent war. Among these, we greatly desire the different medals for specific and general service issued by the American Red Cross. Would it be possible for us to secure specimens of these, either by purchase or in any other way, for our Collection?

It has been customary for the United States Government, through the War and Navy Departments, to deposit with us specimens of all the medals and decorations issued by the Government. These pieces are generally engraved upon the reverse "For Exhibition Only", and we would, of course, be perfectly willing that the Red Cross medals should, also, be marked in some similar way.

Very truly yours,

Assistant to Curator

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September 1, 1920.

The American Numismatic Society,  
Broadway - 155th & 156th Sts.,  
New York City, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

In reply to your letter of August 31, 1920, I beg to advise you that at the next meeting of the National Committee on Awards of the American Red Cross, I shall present your request. I feel sure that the Committee will take favorable action when it meets though there may be some little delay before our next meeting.

I shall, however, advise you as soon as action is taken.

Yours sincerely,  
*James K. McClintock*  
Secretary, Committee on Awards.

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September 3rd, 1920.

Mr. James K. McClintock,  
Secretary, Committee on Awards,  
The American Red Cross,  
National Headquarters,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:-

Thank you for your courteous letter of September 1st in relation to our request for Red Cross medals. I certainly hope that we may be able to secure favorable action from your Committee.

Our collection of medals relating to the war, both American and foreign, is now by far the largest of the sort in this country, and we find that it is being constantly consulted and proving to be of real historical value. The work of the Red Cross during the recent war was such an important factor in our national activities that I feel that the collection would be greatly crippled in usefulness if we did not include in it the Red Cross medals.

Very truly yours,

Assistant to Curator.